

SART STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 25, 2017 @ 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Farm Service Agency
4440 NW 25th Place, Suite 1, Gainesville, FL 32614-1030

MEETING SUMMARY

SART Steering Committee Members in Attendance:

Karen Adams, University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine
Stephen Barineau, FDACS
Tammy Bauldree, FDACS
Dr. Greg Christy, FDACS, via phone
Jay Ferrell, University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences
Consie von Gontard, Florida State Animal Response Coalition, via phone
John Haven, University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine
Matt Hersom, University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences
Sue Rantuccio, FDACS
Hyatt Sudano, FDACS
LeiAnna Tucker, FDACS

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

The meeting summary from the April 13, 2017 SART Steering Committee was reviewed and a motion was made by Stephen Barineau and seconded by Sue Rantuccio to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Budget Update:

Sue Rantuccio updated that the FY 15-16 grant ends on May 31, 2017. Most of the funds have been expended pending a few minor charges. The FY 16-17 funding is currently being expended. Ms. Rantuccio said magnum panel trailers have been received and options are under review for the remaining \$4,258. She also said a total of \$6,500 has been moved to the Miami-Dade workshop to total \$21,500. A request was made to pursue purchasing more magnum panels and a trailer by Consie von Gontard.

Introduction of New SART Lead:

Mr. Barineau introduced LeiAnna Tucker to the group as the new SART lead to replace the retired Joe Kight. Ms. Tucker gave an update on her background and experience and touched on some items she has begun working on.

State Hurricane Exercise:

Mr. LeiAnna Tucker discussed the State Hurricane Exercise, which was held May 1-4 at the State Emergency Operations Center. The scenario included two hurricanes and a tsunami. Ms. Tucker explained that ESF-17 worked through processes including calls with the Incident Management Team and stakeholders. Daily situation reports were produced by ESF-17 and distributed to necessary partners. Multiple staff members spent time training to work the ESF-17 desk and updates were made to appropriate contact information and equipment lists. Discussion was had on updates to the ESF-17 manual and the use of login credentials for stakeholders that wish to view EM Constellation for training purposes.

West Mims Fire Activity:

Ms. Tucker updated the group on the West Mims Fire and the protective actions taken as it moved towards Nassau County. A Magnum panel trailer and livestock trailer were deployed to Nassau County and staged at the fairgrounds in anticipation of sheltering needs. One conference call was held and the situation was monitored. As of May 25, the fire had grown but was better contained and no longer spreading east. Nassau County began demobilizing equipment that was not anticipated to be needed.

Future training:

Ms. Tucker inquired about trainings and workshops that have been conducted. The group updated on recent activities and trainings that occurred, and future trainings that are planned. Ms. von Gontard discussed possibly developing an online training that counties would be able to access.

SART County Visits/Website Updates:

Ms. Tucker said the SART website is being reviewed for design improvements and content updates. Ms. Tucker is working with Dr. Xin at University of Florida to begin planning for a website redesign and update. The training module section on the SART website is also being reviewed for updates. She said the monthly ESF-17 district specialist conference call was held on the morning of May 25, and each district specialist updated on the status of their county visits. Most visits will be completed in June. The presentation has been well received so far and the meetings had good participation from ESF-17 and ESF-11 partners.

Steering Committee Documentation:

Ms. Tucker inquired about documentation that is hosted on the SART website such as meeting agendas, minutes, and other pertinent documents. Discussion was held on possibly having items online for Steering Committee members to access. Ms. Tucker said she will work with Dr. Xin on this option.

SART Partner Meeting:

Ms. Tucker confirmed the date of partner meeting on September 19, 2017. She also said action items will be created for planning partner meeting agenda.

Host County for Annual Workshop:

The group discussed possible alternative locations for the annual workshop. A recommendation was made to consider Polk Co. for a scenario.

EVOLSAR in Malta:

John Haven updated the group on his experience observing the European Association of Civil Protection Volunteer Teams (EVOLSAR) training conducted by the European Union. EVOLSAR is a multinational group of search and rescue teams that hosts training exercises across Europe.

Active Action Items:

- NMETS Barcode- Ms. von Gotard identified a company that may provide samples for us to test. Need to obtain sample for review.
- NMETS hosting- Department of Business and Professional Regulation may host. Peter Newman with ESF-6 is inquiring.
- I-Suite- No classes scheduled due to fires- Dr. Greg Christy and Ms. Tucker to follow up for scheduling.
- Agriculture Economic Database- IFAS still preparing proposal for review based on preliminary discussion in April meeting.
- ICS 300/400 Fall- recommendation made to plan a joint ICS 300/400 for some time in fall.
- Agenda for Partner Meeting
- Website Update ideas